Appl. No. 10/131,721 Amdt. dated [insert date] Reply to Office Action of May 4th, 2005

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Applicant: Xi Chu

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Entitled: Prosthetic Valves and Methods

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Confirmation:

Examiner:

Urmi Chattopadhyay

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3738

MS: AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Petition For Extension of Time

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R1.§136(a) to extend the period for responding to the Office Action mailed May 4th, 2005.

The requested extension is for a one-month, extending the period for response from August 4^{th} , 2005 to September 4^{th} , 2005.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, in an envelope addressed to:

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